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SUBJECT: REPORT OF SPANISH GENERAL KILLED IN MOZAMBIQUE

1. LISBON PRESS HAS REPORTED JULY 1 MOZAMBIQUE ARMED FORCES HQ COMMUNIQUE TO EFFECT THAT CIVILIAN AIRCRAFT WAS FIRED ON BY SMALL NUMBER INSURGENTS WHEN LANDING AT MARINGUE (IN BEIRA DISTRICT, JUST NORTH OF GORONGOZA PARK). COMMUNIQUE SAID ONE OF THE THREE PASSENGERS (ALL FOREIGNERS) KILLED AND ANOTHER WOUNDED.
2. RELIABLE LOCAL SOURCE HAS INFORMED US PRIVATELY THAT MAN KILLED WAS SPANISH AIR FORCE GENERAL WHO DEPUTY PERSONAL PHYSICIAN OF GENERAL FRANCO. OTHER TWO PASSENGERS (ONE MAN, ONE WOMAN) ALSO SPANIARDS. THREE WERE ON SAFARI IN MOZAMBIQUE.
3. BOTH JULY 1 COMMUNIQUE AND EARLIER RELEASE OF JUNE 30 NOTED RECENT INSURGENT INFILTRATIONS IN AREA "NORTH OF PUNGUE RIVER", WHICH WE NOTE FORMS PORTION OF SOUTHERN BORDER TO GORONGOZA PARK. BOTH RELEASES STRESSED GOP EFFORTS TO CLEAN OUT INSUR-  
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GENTS, AND JUNE 30 NOTE MENTIONED CONCERN ON PART OF

LOCAL POPULATION.

4. MOZAMBICAN JOURNALIST (CARTAXANA) TOLD US LAST WEEK THE FRELIMO INSURGENTS HAVE BEEN ACTIVE PROSELYTIZING IN AREAS AS FAR SOUTH AS SOUTHEAST OF BEIRA. HE SAID THAT GROWING FEAR OF INSURGENT ATTACK ON BEIRA-RHODESIA ROAD IS REDUCING NUMBER OF RHODESIANS HOLIDAYING IN BEIRA. HE ADDED IT UNSAFE TO TRAVEL INTO GORONGOZA EXCEPT BY AIR.

5. COMMENT: AS SEEN FROM LISBON, CONTINUED UNSTABLE CONDITIONS COULD LEAD TO CLOSING OF GORONGOZA, WHICH WOULD BE SEVERE BLOW TO GOP. WOULD APPRECIATE CONFIRMATION OR COMMENT.  
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